

# Admissions Application

## UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND

### SCHOOL OF EDUCATION ~ TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

Thank you for your interest in a Teacher Education Program at the University of Rhode Island. Please read the following information carefully; it is provided to ensure that your application is complete and receives the earliest possible consideration. Certification is offered in these areas:

EARLY CHILDHOOD (PreK–2)    ELEMENTARY (1–6)    SECONDARY (9–12)  
MUSIC (K–12)\*    PHYSICAL EDUCATION (K–12)\*

**How to apply:** Admission to the program is competitive among students who have obtained the specified academic standards. You must have an overall GPA of at least 2.5, a GPA of 2.5 in your teacher education major/coursework and a GPA of at least 2.5 in your specialization and/or arts and science major. Retention in the program requires maintaining satisfactory academic and program performance. *Undergraduate applicants* must be matriculated students at the University of Rhode Island for final approval and admission to teacher education. *Transfer students* can apply after a full semester (12 credits) at URI. *Graduate applicants* to initial teacher certification programs are expected to have an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 or above. Those with a GPA of 2.5 or above may be considered with sufficient evidence of academic potential (i.e., graduate coursework, professional experience). Graduate applicants must also apply to the Graduate School (see below).

The admission process includes a review of your application and admission portfolio, and an interview. For information about creating an admission portfolio, see [Portfolio training sessions](#). For other information specific to your area, visit [Prospective Applicants](#).

All students must take the PRAXIS I–PPST Basic Skills Tests and earn a 171 or better on the writing and math sections and a 172 on the reading section before they apply. \*Students are exempt from taking the PPST tests if they earned a combined 1100 or higher on their SAT (math and critical reading sections only) or an ACT score of 24 or above.

1. *All applicants:* **Application materials must be submitted between January 20<sup>th</sup> and January 30<sup>th</sup> 2009** to Mrs. Janet Deignan, Office of Teacher Education, 701 Chafee Building on campus. Bring one copy of the School of Education Application Form, your PPST scores or computerized PPST scores (or SAT / ACT exemption scores), and your college transcript(s). At this time, you will also sign up for an interview. **Interviews will begin the week of February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2009.**
2. Include a second copy of the SOE Application Form, your PPST or computerized PPST test scores (or SAT / ACT exemption scores), and your college transcript(s) in your portfolio. Please bring your Admission Portfolio with you to your interview.

*Graduate applicants only:* In addition to submitting the School of Education Application, you must complete a separate Graduate School Application Form for admission to URI's Graduate School. Please apply online at <http://www.uri.edu/gsadmis>. Send two official copies of all undergraduate and graduate transcripts and two letters of recommendation to Mrs. Marsha Mott at the School of Education Office, 705 Chafee, Kingston, RI 02881 by **January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009.**

#### **\*Music and Physical Education Applicants:**

For these programs *only*, applications are accepted twice each year: **October 1<sup>st</sup>** for the following spring semester admission, and **February 1<sup>st</sup>** for the following fall semester admission. For more detailed information about admission requirements for Physical Education Teacher Education (PETE), visit [http://www.uri.edu/hss/physical\\_education/Undergra%20Progams.html](http://www.uri.edu/hss/physical_education/Undergra%20Progams.html). For more detailed information about admission requirements for the Music Education program, visit [http://www.uri.edu/artsci/mus/current\\_students.html](http://www.uri.edu/artsci/mus/current_students.html).

**Application Form**  
**University of Rhode Island**  
**School of Education ~ Teacher Education Program**

**Complete the following:**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Social Security No. \_\_\_\_\_ URI ID \_\_\_\_\_

2. Applying for (check one): \_\_\_ Undergraduate Program Class of 20\_\_\_ or \_\_\_ Post Bac./Graduate Program

3. Permanent address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

4. Campus Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

5. *Undergraduates only:* How many credits will you have completed at the end of this semester? \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: Overall \_\_\_\_\_ GPA: Only Education courses \_\_\_\_\_

GPA: In major or specialization \_\_\_\_\_

6. *Graduate Candidates only:* What was your undergraduate GPA ? \_\_\_\_\_

7. Area of expected certification:

(\_\_\_) Early Childhood Education    (\_\_\_) Elementary Education    (\_\_\_) Secondary Education  
(\_\_\_) Music Education                      Other major \_\_\_\_\_                      (\_\_\_) Physical Education

8. *Secondary applicants only:* Please check intended specialty area(s):

(\_\_\_) English                      (\_\_\_) Biology                      (\_\_\_) Chemistry  
(\_\_\_) Mathematics                      (\_\_\_) Physics                      (\_\_\_) History and Social Studies  
(\_\_\_) General Science                      (\_\_\_) Foreign Language  
Which one? \_\_\_\_\_

9. *Elementary and Secondary applicants only:* I am interested in the Middle School Endorsement Program, which expands my certification to allow me to teach in RI Middle Schools (grades 5-8).                      Yes (\_\_\_) No (\_\_\_)

10. *Secondary applicants only:* Please check semester you anticipate student teaching: Spring 2010 \_\_\_ or Spring 2011 \_\_\_  
I understand that I must take and pass all required education course work prior to student teaching.

**\*Competitive admissions means that a limited number of positions are available in Teacher Education Programs and that some qualified applicants may be denied admission. A faculty committee will review all applications.**

The information on this application is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

***The information below is requested but NOT required. This self-identification will be used only to describe our student body and for program evaluation purposes.***

Date of birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: Female \_\_\_ Male \_\_\_

Cultural Background: \_\_\_ Black/African American                      \_\_\_ White/Caucasian  
                                 \_\_\_ Native American/Native Alaskan                      \_\_\_ Asian or Pacific Islander  
                                 \_\_\_ Hispanic

*The University of Rhode Island is an affirmative action and equal opportunity employer.*

**FOR GRADUATE APPLICANTS ONLY:**

Please give an overview of your employment history below. This need not be exhaustive; please focus on those positions that have been most significant to your personal and professional development. Include name and location of employer, your position, and dates.

1. Employer:

Position:

Dates:

2. Employer:

Position:

Dates:

3. Employer:

Position:

Dates: